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Statesman of Courage Needed in Days of Stress.
A little while ago people looking hopefully and yet fearfully to the Versailles conference were asking whether the statesmen assembling there would have the courage to make a genuinely honest settlement of the war and such provision for future peace as would accord with the moral sense of mankind.



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We have used great words, all of us," he said. "We have used the words 'right' and 'justice.' And now we are to prove whether or not we understood those words, and how far they are to be applied to the particular settlements which must conclude the war. And we must not only understand them, but we must have the courage to act upon their understanding.

Yet after I have uttered the word 'courage' it comes to my mind that it would take more courage to resist the great moral tide now running in the world than to yield to it and obey it.

There can be little question of the accuracy of this statement, in the mind of any one who has closely followed the "moral tide" of public opinion during these last few weeks. There is no more doubt as to what the great masses of people want, in all the allied countries. They want peace, which will not be such a provocation of new wars as previous peace settlements have been.

They will be brave men indeed who resist those demands. If there is any such diplomatic jugglery as prevailed at the Congress of Vienna and other international conferences of unpleasant memory, what statesman will dare to face his people when he returns?

Democracy in Buckingham Palace.
If the ceremonial banquet given to President Wilson in the royal banquet hall of Buckingham palace was such as to have appalled the democratic spirit of an Andrew Jackson or a Thomas Jefferson, there was another side to it. President Wilson seems to have viewed things as pretty well with his host. Treated as a king, he treated George as a democrat.

It was observed with amazement that the President addressed the king simply as "sir." Not once in his formal speech acknowledging the king's welcome did he refer to King George as "your majesty." He did not even use the formal substitute, "sire," of ten applied to royalty. It was nothing but "sir," the title of democratic equality that he would have used at an American dinner table. Moreover, the

present carefully avoided the terms "royal" and "imperial."
And King George was not offended. He seemed to like it immensely. And stranger still, that brilliant assemblage of British guests—nobles and civilians both—liked it, when once they recovered from their surprise. There is no question but that it made a hit with the British public.

It was simply a commonsense recognition of fact. Great Britain is in reality a democracy, about as much so as the United States. The king, in President Wilson's words, simply "presides over the nation." He does not govern, in any sense. He is something like our vice president. The so-called British empire is a federation of democracies, bound together somewhat more loosely than our own states.

Now that the old conventions are smashed, and a new precedent is established, the two countries ought to get along together nicely. If only the President would carry things to the extent of slapping the king on the back and calling him "George," and the king would retaliate by calling him "Woodrow" or "old scout," the democratic entente would be complete, consummate and perfect.

Out With the Old, in With the New U. S. Army
It seems odd that volunteers are wanted for the army again, when we have under arms so many more men than we need that they are being mustered out of service at the rate of many thousands a day. Yet such is the case.

WILL ENFORCE QUARANTINE
HOMES MUST STRICTLY OBEY REGULATIONS PROVIDED BY THE CITY ORDINANCE.
To an Observer reporter this morning, John Collier, the city manager, expressed the opinion that he thought it quite possible that the first of next week might very likely see the closing regulations loosened up a bit, if not lifted altogether. Mr. Collier stated the condition of the public health was not yet quite good enough to justify the step being taken immediately, but with the improvement continuing as steadily as it has during the last week, he thought a few days more of the regulations might suffice.

It is the desire of the health board to impress upon the public generally the fact that the situation is really grave and deserves the serious consideration of all. Other cities in the state are finding themselves up against a serious proposition, just as La Grande has, and in several places sentiment is seen to be strong for quick and sure preventative measures, even if they are so drastic as to seem arbitrary.

The quarantine regulations in La Grande allow the bread earner to go to and from his home, but he must stay away from the members of his family who are ill. Other members of the family must stay at home. The duty of the householder in reporting cases of the flu is just as great as that of the physician attending the case, and this rule must be particularly respected, the commission's ordinance decrees. New cases should be reported either to Dr. Bacon or to the police department.

Dr. Seelye Gives Order.
Dr. Bacon, the city physician, received information this morning in a long distance telephone conversation with Dr. Seelye, head of the state board of health, that the board had made and would enforce a ruling that all persons who have been ill with the flu remain in their homes for at least twelve days following the time the fever leaves them, as it is considered that they are possible carriers of the disease for that length of time. Local doctors and physicians will enforce this rule, as ordered by Dr. Seelye.

The general public is asked to take notice, then, that the city's regulations in regard to the quarantining of homes will be kept in force as long as the epidemic is with us. This plan of preventing the spread of the malady is considered the most practical and efficient because it goes to the root of long distance telephone conversation the trouble.

Puritan Methods to Uphold Principles of Right.
The Puritans used to save men's souls even if they killed the men in the process. Their methods may have been a bit rough at times, but largely to their sturdy insistence that the majority should accept certain fundamental principles of right we owe the achievement that is America.

Yale—Work on Warships project under full speed. Road crews busy; more men and teams needed.
Cured at a Cost of 25 Cents.
"Eight years ago when we first moved to Mattoon, I was a great sufferer from indigestion and constipation," writes Mrs. Robert Allison, Mattoon, Ill. "I had frequent headaches and dizzy spells, and there was a feeling like a heavy weight pressing on my stomach and chest all the time. I felt miserable. Every morsel of food distressed me. I could not rest at night and felt tired and worn out all the time. One bottle of Chamberlain's Tablets cured me and I have since felt like a different person."

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WILL UNVEIL GOLD STAR FOR ISLAND CITY BOY

A special service will be held in the church at Island City Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock, when there will be unveiled a gold star in the community service flag for Ernest Monkhouse, an Island City boy who was killed in action in France on October 5th, 1918.

Y. M. C. A. Educational Department. Short-hand and typewriting. Day classes, 10:00 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. Night classes 7:30 p. m. to 9:30 p. m.

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